## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 562

## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of		
Application of Virginia Electric and Power	)	
Company d/b/a Dominion Energy North	)	ORDER APPROVING
Carolina for Adjustment of Rates and Charges	)	REVISED RATE SCHEDULE
Applicable to Electric Service in North Carolina	j	

BY THE COMMISSION: On February 24, 2020, the Commission issued an Order Accepting Public Staff Stipulation in Part, Accepting CIGFUR Stipulation, Deciding Contested Issues and Granting Partial Rate Increase (Rate Order), in the above-captioned docket. Among other things, the Rate Order approved a Stipulation between Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC or Company), and Carolina Industrial Group for Fair Utility Rates I (CIGFUR). Included in the Stipulation was an agreement by DENC and CIGFUR to work together to modify DENC's Schedule LGS-RTP Customer Baseline Load Day-Ahead Hourly Pricing (Schedule LGS-RTP), to make it more attractive to industrial customers.

On December 21, 2022, and March 31, 2023, at the request of the Company, the Commission issued Orders extending the time for DENC and CIGFUR to continue their discussions on modifications to Schedule LGS-RTP. On June 21, 2023, DENC filed a request to revise Schedule LGS-RTP. The Company stated that it had continued to work with CIGFUR toward consensus on revisions to Schedule LGS-RTP and that Attachment I to the Company's request reflected the agreement between the Company and CIGFUR regarding the proposed changes to Schedule LGS-RTP. DENC also stated that customers had expressed significant interest in Schedule LGS-RTP if it is modified as proposed.

DENC stated that the revised Schedule LGS-RTP would continue to require that customers receiving service under Schedule LGS-RTP also take service under Schedule 6L, and maintain a load factor of 80% or greater, consistent with the Commission's Order Approving Rate Increase and Cost Deferrals and Revising PJM Regulatory Conditions issued in Docket No. E-22, Sub 532 on December 22, 2016. DENC stated that the proposed changes to Schedule LGS-RTP include:

1. The contract term remains one year; however, customers would be allowed a one-time termination of service before the end of the contract term. This would allow some flexibility for participants to exit the schedule if they determine that service under Schedule LGS-RTP creates a financial risk for them, while preventing customers from taking advantage of market conditions and rotating on and off the schedule;

- 2. Removing the "experimental" designation and making Schedule LGS-RTP a more permanent rate offering by extending the effective date until December 31, 2028;
- 3. Allowing participation of new customers who have not yet established 11 months of service;
- 4. Clarifying that calculation of the customer baseline load (CBL) will be based on the customer's summer peak demand; and
- 5. Providing greater flexibility foe adjustments if the customer's load fluctuates. If the customer's load increases after the initial CBL is established, load served under Schedule LGS-RTP can increase to a point no less than 50% of the maximum on-peak monthly demand. If the CBL falls below 50% of the customer's summer peak demand, the CBL will increase to 50% of the summer peak effective with the customer's next anniversary date. Also, if the customer's monthly peak demand increases after the initial CBL is established such that the demand served under the Schedule has increased to a point where the CBL drops below 50% of that demand, the customer may request an adjustment to the CBL pursuant to paragraphs VI.D or VI.E of Schedule LGS-RTP. However, the new CBL cannot be less than the previous CBL.

On June 26, 2023, the Public Staff filed a letter and proposed Order stating that it had reviewed the requested modifications to Schedule LGS-RTP and had been involved in discussions with both DENC and CIGFUR regarding the proposed revisions. The Public Staff recommended approval of DENC's request and further stated that it would review customer service under the Schedule in DENC's next general rate case to determine the efficacy of the Schedule with regard to providing an appropriate real-time pricing tariff for high load factor customers.

Based on the foregoing and the record, the Commission concludes that the changes to Schedule LGS-RTP are reasonable and in the public interest and, therefore, should be approved as filed.

## IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. That Schedule LGS-RTP with Customer Baseline Load Day-Ahead Hourly Pricing, Large General Service is hereby revised as filed; and

2. That DENC shall file, within 10 days of this order, revised tariffs reflecting the approved revisions effective this date through December 31, 2028.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 29th day of June, 2023.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk